

# Newsletter 19: Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2019

Dear Parents,

**Snow!** – it was very exciting to have some snow this morning (though the children were probably hoping for more). Almost all the children are in school today; thank you for getting them here, and thank you to the parents of Year Two for pressing ahead with the planned PSA Breakfast Cake sale which, due to the slippery conditions, was held in the school hall.



**Tables and chairs** – we have been delighted with the brand new lunchtime tables and green chairs. These have been funded following a successful bid made to the ‘Healthy Pupils Capital Fund’. This is part of our plan to improve the children’s lunchtime experience.

**Thank you** – to those children who helped with last Sunday’s School Mass in Milford. We were so impressed by all those who read so beautifully, and by all those who helped with the offertory procession and welcoming. Thank you, also, to those families who attended the Mass. With 150 families at St Edmund’s School, it would be lovely to see more at these Masses which happen just once a term.

**Safer Internet Day** – on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February we will be focusing on how to help our children to use the internet safely. For much more information please visit the Safer Internet Day website: <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2019>



**Parent Consultations** – as you will have seen from the dates on the back page of the newsletter, the next Parent Consultation evenings will be 11<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> February. On Monday you should receive an email from ParentMail to let you know that the booking lines are open. Please ensure that you book **one appointment only for each child**; we cannot accommodate separate parental appointments. There will, of course, be the facility for those who do not use ParentMail to book an appointment – just look out for the hardcopy letter which will be sent home. Having made your booking you should then be able to amend/change it subsequently if necessary.

**Young Voices** – we are getting very exciting about our choir’s trip to the O2 Arena in London on Tuesday! The children in the KS2 choir have been working hard since September to learn all the songs and dance moves and are looking forward to putting it all into action along with thousands of other primary school children.

**PSA Meeting** – the next PSA meeting will be held at 8pm on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February at the Inn on the Lake.

**Year 6 SATs talk** – has moved from 28<sup>th</sup> February to **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March** at 3.40pm in the Year 6 classroom. This is open to all Year 6 parents and their Year 6 children.



**Thinking of Teaching?** – Godalming Learning Partnership, in collaboration with Winchester University, is now recruiting teacher trainees through the School Direct programme to start in September 2019. If you have thought about getting into teaching, then visit our Get Teaching website (<http://www.getteaching.org/Our-Teacher-Training-Offer/Our-Programme/>) for information about how to train as a teacher whilst based in one of our Godalming schools.

Applications for the Schools Direct Programme are now open.

**Girls Night In ... is back!** – come and watch ‘Girls Trip’ on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March at 7.30pm in the school hall. Tickets will go on sale on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January. See Classlist or the PSA Facebook page for more details.



**Parent Autism Conference** – on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March at Dorking Halls in Dorking, there is a conference for parents of children affected by autism. The flier/poster giving fuller information is on our website under ‘Learning’ then ‘SEND’.

**Headteacher’s Blog** – every Friday Mrs Higgins writes about what has been happening in school during the week in her Headteacher’s Blog in the website. Do remember to have a look every week to keep yourselves up to date by going here: <http://www.stedmundschool.co.uk/page/default.asp?pid=124>

**Paying for things?** – just a little reminder that, if you are coming to the office to pay for something in cash, you ensure that you bring it to the office as **correct cash** and **in an envelope** clearly marked as to what the cash is for.



Also, if you are paying for things online, could we ask you to consider paying by card rather than Paypal Express. This is because Paypal Express is much more expensive for us. Thank you.

**Weekday Masses in the parish** – Fr David would love to welcome you to the parish weekday Masses. Starting at 9.30am and lasting just 25 minutes, they are in Milford on Wednesdays and Fridays, and in Godalming on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please keep an eye on the parish newsletter as Masses are subject to change from time to time if Father David has commitments elsewhere.



**The Pen Shop (Mon + Fri)** – ordinary pencils 10p; push pencils 30p (KS2 only); rubbers 5p; short rulers 10p; long rulers 15p; handwriting pens 25p; glue sticks 40p; sharpeners 25p; reading records 25p; homework diaries 30p and highlighters 50p.



<b>DATES FOR THIS TERM (items highlighted are new)</b>		<b>DATES FOR THIS TERM continued</b>	
Fri 1 Feb	3.30pm PSA Film Show	Wed 13 Mar	Y1 to Painshill Park
Tue 5 Feb	Safer Internet Day 11.30am Choir leave for the 02 Arena	Fri 15 Mar	8.15am Lenten Mass; CAFOD Fast Day
Fri 8 Feb	9.05am Year 4 Assembly 5.45pm PSA Masquerade Disco	Fri 22 Mar	8.15am Lenten Mass 9.05am Y5 Assembly 3.30pm PSA Film Show
Mon 11 Feb	Year 3 to Winchester Science Museum 3.40pm Parent Consultations (ends 6.30pm)	Thu 20 Mar	Y2 Infant Singing at Rodborough
Wed 13 Feb	2.15pm Parents' Forum 3.40pm Parent Consultations (ends 6.10pm) <b>8pm PSA meeting at Inn on the Lake</b>	Tue 26 Mar	3pm Rock Steady Concert
Fri 15 Feb	Year 4 to GLive; 3.30pm close for half-term	Wed 27 Mar	Hydestile Animal Rescue in school (Y3)
Mon 25 Feb	<b>INSET – school closed</b>	Fri 29 Mar	8.15am Lenten Mass 3pm Mothers' Day Celebration YR
Tue 26 Feb	Children return to school	Wed 3 Apr	2pm Easter Egg Hunt 7pm Passion Play in school
Fri 1 Mar	3.30pm Y3 Cake Sale ; 7.30pm Girls Night In	Thu 4 Apr	9.30am End of Term Mass
Wed 6 Mar	<b>Ash Wednesday (start of Lent)</b>	Fri 5 Apr	<b>2pm</b> close for the Easter Holiday
Thu 7 Mar	World Book Day 3.40pm Mrs Hua talk for Y6 parents about SATs	<b>THIS YEAR'S DATES (2018-2019)</b> SPR: 3 Jan-5 Apr 2019 (half-term w/c 18 Feb) SUM: 23 Apr-24 Jul 2019 (half-term w/c 27 May)	
Fri 8 Mar	8.15am Lenten Mass at school	<b>REMAINING INSETS : 25<sup>th</sup> Feb and 14<sup>th</sup> June 2019</b>	
Mon 11 Mar	Pedals training for Y2		
Tue 12 Mar	Bikeability for Y4 (+ Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> )		

**Ethos Statement 16:** We know that we are happiest when we are united.

**We pray together:** Father, a house divided against itself will fall. Help us to always work and play together well, with cooperation and with patience. Let us always work hard to be united. We ask this through Christ our Lord, AMEN.

**The Pope Speaks:** Obviously, the young woman of Nazareth was not part of the 'social networks' of the time. She was not an 'influencer' but without wanting or trying to, she became the most influential woman in history.



**Money Matters: first half of the Spring Term 2019**

**Dinners (KS2 ONLY):** £73.60 (32 days at £2.30 between Thu 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan to Fri 15 Feb 2019)  
**Governors' Fund:** £20 per family per term, cheques payable to "A&B Diocesan Trust St Edmund's"  
**Outings:** Cheques payable to "St Edmund's School Fund" or pay online via PMX ParentMail  
**PSA Website:** www.stedmundsschoolpsa.co.uk

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